



WASECA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSION

November 22, 2022 - 1:00 PM

East Annex Public Meeting Room
300 North State Street – East Annex · Waseca, Minnesota 56093

The Waseca County Board of Commissioners met in a work session on Tuesday, November 22, 2022 in the Commissioners' Room, 300 North State Street, Waseca, Minnesota. Members present were Chair Brad Krause, DeAnne Malterer, Doug Christopherson, Brian Harguth, and Blair Nelson.

Other members present were Michael Johnson, County Administrator; Beth Weimert, Administrative Coordinator.

Others present were Bill Eckles, Bevcom, CEO.

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Krause called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. A roll call was taken and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. BevComm

Bill Eckles, Bevcomm CEO, presented an overview of broadband to the Waseca County Board of Commissioners. Eckles shared how Bevcomm would do the next build out in the area south of Waldorf and south of New Richland. Speeds and pricing that will be available in July 2023 were discussed. Eckles shared the details of covering 200 homes by the spring of 2024. Timelines include breaking ground in the spring of 2024 with completion during 2025. Eckles noted he would need to have an acceptance from the board to put in the grant application and to receive a match. Bevcomm would be asking for a \$567,000.00 commitment and the timeline would depend on when the grant application opens. Eckles noted he would be seeking an answer from Waseca County by the end of the year.

3. Adjourn

The work session ended at 2:13 p.m.

Brad Krause, Chairperson
Waseca County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Beth Weimert, Clerk
Waseca County Administration